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**IN THE
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Applicant: SHIH et al.

Attorney Docket: LMRX-P023/P1130

Application No. 10/666,331

Examiner: UNKNOWN

Filed: September 17, 2003

Group No.: 1746

**Title: METHODS FOR CLEANING A SET
OF STRUCTURES COMPRISING
YTTRIUM OXIDE IN A PLASMA
PROCESSING SYSTEM**

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Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application

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TOTAL					
CLAIMS	<u>58</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>X 9 - \$</u>
INDEP					<u>OR</u>
CLAIMS	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>X44 = \$</u>
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 An amendment totaling 9 pages is enclosed herewith.
 Formal drawings totaling 0 pages is enclosed herewith.
 Please consider this communication a petition for any necessary petition and charge any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 50-2284 (Order No. LMRX-P023).

Respectfully submitted,
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the above-referenced case, please enter the following
preliminary amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.